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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAVAPAI

STATE OF ARIZONA,

Plaintiff,

STEVEN CARROLL DEMOCKER,

Defendant.

CR P130020081339

Division 6

STATE'S MOTION IN LIMINE RE: PRECLUSION OF CHARACTER EVIDENCE OF JAMES R. KNAPP

The State of Arizona, by and through Sheila Sullivan Polk, Yavapai County Attorney, and her deputy, Joseph C. Butner, respectfully submits its Motion In Limine to seek a ruling precluding character evidence of James R. Knapp, deceased.

James R. Knapp was a tenant living in a separate residence located on the property on July 2, 2008 when the murder of Carol Kennedy occurred. Mr. Knapp was a friend of decedent Carol Kennedy. Mr. Knapp committed suicide on January 7, 2009 which was 6 months after the Kennedy murder. Mr. Knapp provided law enforcement with a valid alibi at the time of the murder and was ruled out as a suspect in the murder.

Pursuant to ARE Rule 608, any evidence of Mr. Knapp's character is not relevant to this case and the State is requesting this court to preclude such evidence at trial.

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